

Commission Comments
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Remember to vote on Tuesday, June 6!

As well as the commission races, there are two very important issues on the ballot. These are the continuation of the 22 mill levy to support the Madison County Nursing Homes and the continuation of the 3 mills to help fund the county weed program.

Both of these levies have been widely supported in the past, but they expired last November. The commissioners feel that we need to gauge public support on a regular basis, so we are only asking you to authorize continuation of these levies for an additional four years. Remember, we are NOT asking for new taxes, only the authority to continue the present levies.

The Madison Valley Manor and the Tobacco Root Mountains Care Center are each recognized as having a great level of care for the residents and the census continues to grow. The dedicated and caring staff must be recognized for their great work. Increased regulations and costs make it necessary to continue support through the tax process.

Thanks to your past support, the Madison County weed program is recognized as one of the best in the state. Even though we are fighting an uphill battle, I believe that we are making progress. With your continued support we can continue to address the biggest environmental problem in Madison County and Montana.

This year I am reminded of a billboard I saw years ago that read: "Remember to vote on June 6, and pray for your country." After the election the bill read: "Thanks for voting...keep praying."